



Local Weather

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Hi 28° Lo 14°	Hi 40° Lo 25°	Hi 28° Lo 15°

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Which will it be ...
 6 more weeks
 of winter or
 Spring?



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BCHS Baseball Chili Supper this Friday

The Bracken County baseball team will be holding their annual Chili Supper fundraiser this Friday, February 2nd, at Bracken County High School as the Polar Bear basketball team plays host to rival Pendleton County for a triple-header. The doors will open at 4 p.m. with the Freshman game tipping off at 5 p.m. There will be a cake auction at halftime of the Varsity game.

Come cheer on the Polar Bears as they look to sweep 3 games from the Wildcats and enjoy a bowl of chili, sandwiches, desserts, and more while you're at it!

Ashley King, Candidate for Judge Exec.



I, Ashley King, announce my candidacy for Bracken County Judge Executive. My first responsibility to voters will be establishing an operating budget and locating additional revenue for each county department.

With seventeen years' experience in road construction and management, I can reduce construction costs, work with the industrial board, break ground on sewage plant, work with Kentucky farm programs, and recommend another EMS station.

I chose Tina Sticklen, a law office manager, as my administrative assistant. Tina is a city council member and former vice-mayor.

We are asking for your vote and support on May 22, 2018.

Paid for by Ashley King

BC Basketball Senior Night Ceremonies Thurs., Feb. 8th

Bracken County High School will be holding Joint Senior Night Ceremonies on Thursday, February 8. Boys and Girls Senior Night will take place prior to the Varsity Boys Game at 8 p.m.

The Ceremony will take place immediately following the Varsity Girls Game at approximately 7:15 p.m. This will be a boy/girl DH against Fleming County beginning at 6 p.m.

AIS receives Chromebook donation from Augusta Ind. Educational Foundation



Pictured left to right: Director Member, John Parker; Superintendent, Lisa McCane; Principal, Robin Kelsch; Director Member, Vaughn Kelsch; Director Member & Treasurer, Marlene Barrett; Director Member & President, Mike Bach; Director Member and Vice President, Clark Hennessey. Not pictured: Director & Secretary, Mike Clark; and Director Member, Greg Mains.

Photo submitted

The Augusta Independent Educational Foundation, Inc. recently donated \$7,325 to Augusta Independent School for Chromebooks. The donation will be used to purchase Chromebooks, cases, licenses and a charging cart earmarked for the 6th grade class. Every student in the middle and high school grades are now equipped with a device as part of a one-to-one district initiative. The Chromebook Project is a priority of Augusta Independent Educational Foundation until the K-5th classrooms are equipped with devices. The foundation is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) corporation and all donations are tax-deductible. Donations can be made by visiting the foundation Facebook page, the Augusta Independent School District webpage or mailed directly to the 307 Bracken Street, Augusta, KY 41002. For more information call 606-756-2545.

Apple Orchard Field Day set for Saturday, March 3rd

By David Appelman, CEA for Ag & Nat. Res.

A regional Apple Orchard Field Day will be held at the Fleming County Extension Office on Saturday, March 3rd. Folks that have or want to establish an orchard, or if you just want a few backyard trees are welcome to attend this event.

The program will start with a grafting workshop at 8:30 a.m. and is limited to the first 50 to sign up. This includes your rootstock and scion wood.

At 10:30 a.m., rotating sessions on Wildlife Management, Insect Management and Disease Control will take place.

Lunch will be provided followed by an outdoor pruning workshop at the Browning Orchard located in Wallingford.

You must register with your local extension office by March 1st, but if you want to attend the grafting workshop, early registration is encouraged as it will be limited.

For more information, contact the Bracken County Extension Office at 606-735-2141.

Wildcat Black Diamonds receive warm welcome at Augusta game



The Black Diamond Cheerleaders, pictured in no order, Catherine Hay, Rae Spence, Addy Spence, Kaylee Campbell, Rose Bennett, Hailie Kirk, Jessica Mains, and Tyler Holton, are shown above with the Augusta Cheerleaders on Friday, January 19th. Members of the Augusta Cheerleading squad include: Makenzie Purdon, Sydney Mason, Brooklyn Kirk, Madilynn Whiteman, Emily Curtis, Violet Hiles, Karley Browning, Madison Kelsch, Angelica Murphy, Brynn Dufrene, Madeline Darnell, Hallie Mofford, Racheal Scott, Kristen Scott, and Chelsea Shields.

Photo submitted

This past year "A League of Their Own," a local non-profit for those with special needs, and the Maysville YMCA partnered to form an all-inclusive cheer squad, where children and teens of all abilities were welcome to join together to form The Wildcat Black Diamonds. Megan Spence, Alicia Hay, Jennifer Kidd, Tara Prater, and Ashlee Shugars volunteered to coach and two sign-ups were held last summer for interested participants. Eight cheerleaders, ranging in age from three to eighteen, registered to join, including Catherine Hay, Rae Spence, Addy Spence, Kaylee Campbell, Rose Bennett, Hailie Kirk, Jessica Mains, and Tyler Holton. Mrs. Kidd then asked members of The Wildcat Elite Silver Squad and any interested high school students to volunteer to be buddies for each cheerleader. Cheer buddy volunteers include Maggie Dean, Tori Prater, Emma Kidd, Kelsi Kidd, Olivia Pawsat, Taylor Lippert, Angelina Clark, Julia Muehlbauer, Baylee Mason, Shelbi Young, Karsen Horch and Cassidy Mango.

The group began weekly practices last September, where they worked on dance routines, cheer motions, chants, tumbling passes, and pompom use. "A League of Their Own" paid for 100% of all costs, including weekly facility fees, purchasing hairbows and uniforms for each cheerleader, provided matching shirts for helpers and coaches, and hosted Halloween and Christmas parties for the group. They performed at their first showcase at the Mason County Fieldhouse in November. Then they began performing at halftime of local boy's varsity basketball games at Mason, Lewis, and Bracken Counties. Their last basketball performance was on Friday, January 19 at the Augusta versus Robertson County game. They received an incredibly warm welcome with a handmade banner, gift bags, balloons, and treats.

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District Court News

DISTRICT COURT

Heard on Tues., January 23, 2018, by District Court Judge Jeffrey L. Schumacher.

Stanton, Bradley, (1) driving ATV on roadway, continued by diversion to 7/24.

Brearton, Rhonda J., (1) theft by deception, including cold checks, under \$500, continued to 2/6.

Clouse, Jr., Charles Christopher, (1a) DUI, 2nd offense, continued to 2/20.

Cooper, Blake A., (1) DUI, aggravator, 1st offense, jail 30 days, serve 4 days, balance c.d. 2 years, c.t.s., 120 day license suspension, DUI fee, court costs, \$500 fine, \$250 c.d., ADE, KAP supervision, costs and fines due by 1/22/2019.

Craig, Bonnolaray A., (1) receiving stolen property, \$10,000 or more, \$2500 surety bond, continued to 1/30.

Curtis, Michelle, (1) theft by deception, including cold checks, under \$500; (2) theft by deception, including cold checks, under \$500, continued to 2/6.

Curtis, Michelle, (1-3) theft by deception, including cold checks, under \$500, continued to 2/6.

Curtis, Michelle, (1-4) theft by deception, including cold checks, under \$500, continued to 2/6.

Day, Jr., Danny Lee, (1) indecent exposure, 1st degree, 1st offense, continued to 2/6.

Hampton, David I., (1) speeding, 16 m.p.h. over the limit; (2b) DUI, aggravator, 2nd offense, failed to appear, bench warrant issued, continued to 2/6.

Hargett, Jr., Christopher D., (1) assault, 4th degree, minor injury, continued by diversion to 3/6.

Hughes, Melisha S., (1) failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, 1st offense, continued to 1/30 for KAP proof.

Lacy, Christopher Michael, KAP completion review.

McKenzie, II, David H., KAP completion review.

Moore, Buddy Wayne, (1) theft by deception, including cold checks, under \$500, continued to 2/6.

Nickoson, Cord E., (1) intentional breach compulsory attendance/other, continued to 2/6.

Nickoson, Lyndsey M., (1) intentional breach compulsory attendance/other, continued to 2/6.

Richardson, James Stewart, (1) failure to

produce insurance card, guilty, \$100 fine, costs, fine and costs due by 7/24; (2) no/expired KY registration receipt, dismissed with proof; (3) no/expired registration plates, dismissed with proof.

Robinson, Anthony, (1) assault, 4th degree, domestic violence, no visible injury, merged with #2; (2) violation of conditions of release, guilty, jail 120 days, c.d. 2 years, costs due by 7/31, comply with DVO terms.

Simms, Sarah Ann, (1) no/expired registration plates; (2) failure to register transfer of motor vehicle; (3) failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st offense, failed to appear, bench warrant and \$500 bond issued.

Sparks, Travis L., (1) assault, 4th degree, minor injury, guilty, jail 140 days, serve 7 days, balance c.d. 2 years, c.t.s. of 7 days, jail bill, bond released to surety, costs, jail bill due by 7/24.

Vice, Larry Bruce, (1) theft by deception, including cold checks, under \$500; (2) theft by deception, including cold checks, under \$500, balance to be paid in full by 3/6.

Vice, Larry Bruce, (1) theft by deception, including cold checks, under \$500, guilty, jail 60 days, c.d. 2 years, costs by 7/24, check to be paid by 3/27.

Wachter, Janie Rebecca, (1) failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, 1st offense, restitution set.

Wright, Christopher A., (1) no license, guilty, \$250 fine, jail 30 days, c.d. 2 years, costs and fines due by 7/24.

Wright, Christopher A., (1) no license, guilty, jail 30 days, serve 10 days, c.d. 2 years, costs due by 7/24.

Borgmann, Jonathan B., show cause, deferred/installment payment, owes \$393, continued for full payment to 4/10.

Ginn, Mary B., show cause, deferred/installment payment, owes \$425, continued for full payment, to 3/6.

Grayson, Iseral Jordan, show cause, deferred/installment payment, removed from active docket, fines/costs wiped out by pay or stay in federal prison.

McCann, Jr., Jackie Ray, show cause, deferred/installment payment, owes \$143, converted to pay or stay time, to serve concurrent to felony time.

Circuit Clerk's Office launches new website

The Bracken County Circuit Clerk's office is pleased to announce the launch of their new website drivebrackencounty.com.

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Looking Back Tabitha's Tidbits Compiled by The Bracken County Historical Society

From *Bracken Chronicle*,
Augusta

January 23, 1958

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Hook left last Thursday for Treasure Island, Florida, to spend several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Thompson and two children spent Monday afternoon in Maysville.

Mrs. William Moore, who has been quite ill for several months, was taken to a Lexington hospital Wednesday for treatment. Her husband is also on the sick list.

Mrs. Harry Calvert, of Tarboro, NC has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Mary Lona Taylor for the past week.

Mrs. Louise Schraffenberger was taken to a Lexington hospital Monday for medical care.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Power and Miss May Dimmit Power, of Harrison, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Galloway, Jr. and son, and Mrs. Joe Wiley, of Dayton, OH, were here Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Julia W. Galloway.

Charles Fazekas stationed at Chanute Air Force Base was home on leave over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moloney were guests Monday of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Perry of Norwood, OH.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lytle were Augusta visitors

Kevin Stears

candidate for Bracken County Sheriff

I, Kevin Stears, am 47 years old and am a life long resident of the Germantown community. I have been self-employed and know what it is to put in a long hard days work. I have always taken great pride in all I have done from running my construction business to my trucking company.


One of my goals is to reduce or stop the drugs and thefts that are occurring in our county. I feel by showing a greater sheriff presence patrolling the roads this may deter some of this illegal activity.

If elected as your sheriff I plan to be available for all citizens of Bracken County 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

My intention is to stop and talk with everyone over the next few months, but feel free to contact me anytime with questions or concerns you would like to discuss at 606-782-4020.

I would like to thank everyone in advance for your support and vote.

Paid for by Kevin Stears



From Our Files

50 years ago

Feb. 1, 1968

Beautiful and talented girls selected from the two high schools in the county as winners of the Captain Philip Buckner DAR Good Citizenship Award are Phyllis Garrison, of BCHS and daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Garrison; and Kathleen Malone, of AHS and daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas R. Malone.

BIRTHS: a daughter, born to Mr. & Mrs. Oval Teegarden; a daughter, Laura Ann, born to Mr. & Mrs. James D. Linville; a daughter, Michelle, born to Mr. & Mrs. Jack Metzger; a son, Michael Wayne, born to Mr. & Mrs. Homer Burton; a daughter, born to Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Mineer; a daughter, Terry Lee, born to Mr. & Mrs. David Maloney; a daughter, Elizabeth Ann, born to Mr. & Mrs. Hurley Carl; a daughter, born to Mr. & Mrs. Charles Reed; a son, Daniel Adam, born to Mr. & Mrs. Walter Bach; a son, David Lee, born to Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Bentle; a son, Jeffrey Lane, born to Mr. & Mrs. Harold Teegarden; a son, born to Mr. & Mrs. Harold K. Toller; a daughter, Jenny Lou, born to Dr. & Mrs. Dewey Cummins; a daughter, Elizabeth Dawn, born to Mr. & Mrs. David W. Jones; a son, born to Mr. & Mrs. Roy B. Mains; a daughter, Katrina Kay, born to Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Claypool; a son, Joseph Anthony Jr., born to Mr. & Mrs. Joseph A. Goecke; a daughter, born to Mr. & Mrs. Ezra Jarrell.

DEATHS: Mr. Leonard Askins; Mrs. Pattie Fathergill; Mrs. Frances Louise Hesler Smeeks.

30 years ago

Feb. 4, 1988

Four gobblers and 12 hen turkeys were recently

released in Bracken County by the KY Dept. of Fish & Wildlife Resources as part of a project to restore this species to much of its former range in the state. Bracken County will remain closed to turkey hunting for 5 years to give the flock time to become established.

Eric Dean, 14, son of Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Dean and a freshman at BCHS, was 3rd place winner in the state in the Conservation Essay Contest sponsored by *The Courier Journal*.

BIRTHS: a son, Tyler Ross, born to Mr. & Mrs. Greg Hargett; a son, Marcus Adam, born to Mr. & Mrs. Ken McKibben; a son, Jacob Tyler, born to Mr. & Mrs. D. Louis Kendall.

DEATHS: Mrs. Juanita Teegarden Askin; Mrs. Mary Moorhead Haley; Mr. Oakley F. Poe; Mr. Russell Stoker; Mrs. Luetta F. Slater.

10 years ago

Feb. 7, 2008

Perry Poe Real Estate's new office opening house was a big success with approx. 250 people stopping by Fri. & Sat., Feb. 1 & 2. The new office is located at 133 W. Miami St., Brooksville.

Tim Heil, along with his business partner and wife, Linda, are pleased to announce their business, Sunset Ridge Stained Glass & Restoration Inc., has expanded.

BIRTHS: a daughter, Ella Rose, born to Mr. & Mrs. TJ Burton.

DEATHS: Mr. Allen Lee Scott; Mr. Howard "Boots" Tuel; Mr. Paul Clark Cannon; Mrs. Betty J. Lohrum Hinson; Mr. Clarence Askin; Mrs. Adie Clark Lofton.

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Instant Pot Cooking Class Thurs., Feb. 22nd

No doubt everyone has heard of the popular Instant Pot Cooker! Some of us may have even received it as Christmas present and aren't sure how to use them. Or maybe you are still skeptical about purchasing one?

The Bracken County Extension Office is offering an Instant Pot Cooking Class on Thursday, February 22nd at 6 p.m. Mary Campbell of Mason County will be here to share her expertise, answer questions and reveal her go-to recipes with the group. Sample and take home recipes.

The cost is \$5 per person and you must register by Mon., February 19th. Call the office at 735-2141 with questions or stop by to register.

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Mold and mildew

Submitted by Shannon Smith, CEA for FCSE

Mold and mildew are two fungi that may appear from time to time in your home. They can trigger allergic reactions or asthma complications for certain people, so prompt removal is critical to protect your family's health.

Both mold and mildew are types of fungi that grow in moist environments, spread easily and live on various surfaces. Mildew is a type of mold that usually has flat growth and remains on the surface. Mold contains multiple identical nuclei and grows in patches of various colors and can penetrate beneath the surface of an infected material.

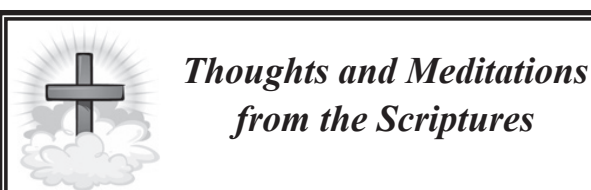
If you notice mold's musty smell, locate the source and quickly fix the problem. Mold growth requires moisture and high humidity, so lowering the humidity level in your home is essential to stopping its spread. You can reduce the humidity level in your home by running a dehumidifier, air conditioner or furnace. If you use a humidifier in your home, shut it off or adjust it if the relative humidity level gets higher than 50 percent. Repair any plumbing leaks immediately and eliminate as many sources of moisture as possible. Increase air circulation in problem areas, and use exhaust fans vented to the outside when taking showers or cooking. Unvented kerosene or gas heaters produce moisture from combustion and you should not use them where mold is a problem.

Many times, with the proper safety equipment, you can successfully remove small areas of mold in your home. When removing mold, use a N95 or N100 respirator with a NIOSH approval No. TC-21C or TC-84A. Wear eye protection, rubber gloves and clothes that you can remove and quickly wash. Remove mold from hard surfaces by scrubbing the area with dish detergent and water. Rinse the area with clean water and quickly dry the surface. It is impossible to completely remove mold from porous surfaces so it is best to discard these materials.

Seek professional assistance for mold removal if the moldy area is larger than 10 feet, has significant water damage, is in your HVAC unit, was caused by sewage or other forms of contaminated water, or if you have health concerns that prevent you from removing the mold.

For more information, contact the Bracken County office of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service at 606-735-2141.

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Source: Doug Overhults, UK ext. prof. emeritus



Thoughts and Meditations from the Scriptures

THREE BLESSINGS

Modern psychology often confirms ancient wisdom. Much of the advice that has been empirically verified by the field of Positive Psychology echoes ancient philosophers, including the wisdom of the Bible. One of the clearest examples of this is the advice to be thankful and count your blessings. Researchers at the Positive Psychology Center at Penn have confirmed that the simple exercise of writing down three things that went well at the end of each day will improve the quality of your life. You will feel less depressed simply by focusing on the positive things in life, and by thinking about why things went well you set the stage for a more positive future. One easy way to do this is to start a journal, or even just start a document on your computer. You might title this journal or document "Three Blessings," or "Three Good Things" if you want a more secular title, and then simply list the three good things that happened to you (or which you did) and answer the question why for each one. The question as to why it happened is important because it forces us to reflect on the causes of these good things and helps us to repeat them. — *Christopher Simon*

"Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits." —Psalm 103:2 NIV

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Independent Auditor's Report

Report on the Financial Statement

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Excess Fees - Regulatory Basis of the County Clerk of Bracken County, Kentucky, for the year ended December 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statement.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Audit Guide for County Fee Officials* issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Bracken County Clerk on the basis of the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky's regulatory basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of each fund of the Bracken County Clerk, as of December 31, 2016, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and excess fees of the Bracken County Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2016, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky as described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 27, 2017, on our consideration of the Bracken County Clerk's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Harmon
Auditor of Public Accounts

September 27, 2017

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Deaths

MR. PERSINGER

Larry Wayne Persinger, 76, of Milford, KY, died Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at the VA Medical Center, Lexington, KY. Born in Bracken County on March 15, 1941, the son of the late Russell and Katherine Jett Persinger, he was a retired Lineman for Typewriters for IBM, a veteran of the U.S. Army, and a member of the Milford Christian Church.

He is survived by two daughters, Tina (Danny) Appelman of Augusta, KY and Kara (Dennis) Motell of Georgetown, KY; three grandchildren, Dalton Appelman, Tyler Motell and Sydney Motell; and three brothers, Eddie (Cheryl) Persinger and Darrell (Carroll) Persinger of Milford, KY and Steve (Linda) Persinger of Cynthiana, KY. Besides his parents he was preceded in death by one brother, Wendell Ray Persinger.

Services were held Monday, January 29, 2018, at the Moore and Parker Funeral Home, Brooksville, KY. Burial followed in the Powersville Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to: Augusta VFW Post 9535.

Condolences may be sent to mooreandparkerfh.com.

MRS. PARKER

Allene Tolle Parker, 93, of Maysville passed away on Friday, January 26, 2018 at the Care Center at Kenton Pointe.

Services were held Sunday, January 28, 2018, at Maysville First Christian Church. Burial followed in the Washington Baptist Cemetery.

Palmer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family. Full obituary may be viewed and condolences made to www.palmerfuneralhome.net.

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MRS. McQUEARY



Marjorie Ruth McQueary née Jett, 89, passed away on Saturday, January 20, 2018. Born August 24, 1928, to Blanche McKibben and Reginald Pepper Jett in Brooksville, KY, she attended the Milford School and Manual High School. She was an avid Square/Line Dancer, an artist, and an active member of The Church of God.

She is survived by two sisters, Pat Mattox and Shirley Hamilton; one daughter, Gail (Wayne) Burke; one step-son, Melvin (Darlene) McQueary; two grandchildren, Shannon LaDow (Isaac Vega) and Brian Burke; one step-grandchild, Delayna Cowley Nestell; three great-grandchildren, Coleman, Bennett, and Kathryn LaDow; two step-grandchildren, Isabella Nestell and Victoria Nestell; many friends; and her special friend and dance partner, Jim Hunter. She was preceded in death by one brother, Joseph L. Jett; first husband, Bennie R. Brewer; and second husband, Ed McQueary; and one son, Daniel J. Brewer.

Services were held Friday, January 26, 2018, at Moore & Parker Funeral Home in Brooksville. Burial followed at Powersville Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Joanne's House Hope Hospice in Bonita Springs, FL or Kosair Children's Hospital in Louisville, KY.

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Senior Citizens Happenings

We welcome you to Senior Citizens Happenings where great things continue to take place. Come and join us. All are welcome.

A very special appreciation to all those that bought our Senior Dinner Fund Raiser. Hope you all enjoyed the dinner. It was a pleasure to do this and we sincerely appreciate your support.

Happenings for Tues., Jan. 23 - Sheila talked to us about our fund raiser and some activities that we can do. Reed Bailey also updated us about the dinner and preparation. Activities were also discussed.

Our first activity will be a Valentine Day Party for our seniors - spaghetti dinner, garlic bread, tossed salad, dessert and drinks. Phyllis Holleran will be bringing our special music and we all will be looking forward to hearing her lovely voice. We will also be presenting Valentine gifts to our seniors. We love and appreciate each one.

Our prayers go out to the family of Rhonda Blevin in her passing.

Prayers for Ann Cummins White, Maxine Cummins, John & Margie Hampton, Kathy Williams, Pauline Jefferson, Tommy and Tracey Wenz, Hazel Welch and all those that weren't here.

The Lord's Prayer was said by all.

Happenings for Thurs., Jan. 25 - June Lippert led us in prayer after Sheila gave us updates on our sick and activities.

Keep Patty Bess and her husband in prayer, Pauline Jefferson, John Hampton, Tracey and Tommy Wenz, Flossie Hay, Hazel Welch, Buff Saunders, Ann Cummins White, Kathy Williams, Maxine Cummins and all those that are ill.

We appreciate all the seniors that worked so well on our dinner Friday. We had such a great time working together and having fun.

Bingo winners: Betty Hargett, Shirley Young, Barbara Woodruf, Sheryl Cruse, Margaret Dalip. Cover all was Shirley Young.

There is always euchre!

May each of us just be a little more kind, loving, and helpful to others each day. That would make God pleased with us and bring Him glory.

Meal fund-raiser supports local senior citizens program



Pictured left to right at the Bracken Senior Citizens meal fund-raiser: Margaret Dalip, Sara Fryman, and Becky Wachter.

On Friday, January 26th, the Bracken County Senior Citizens held a dine-in/carry-out meal fund-raiser to raise money for the Senior Citizens Activity Fund. A delicious meal of boneless pork chops with mushroom grave, mashed potatoes, corn, and dessert was enjoyed by all who supported the senior citizens program.

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Club News

COUNTRYSIDE HOMEMAKERS

It was a cold winter Friday evening, January 19th, when Faye Chinn welcomed the Countryside Homemakers to her home for their monthly meeting. The gathering began with warm soups and sandwiches and a variety of dips and chips. Bavarian Cream Pie and brownies put the final touch on the meal.

The devotional asked - having a cleaning frenzy and need to organize? Go through your things ("stuff") and only keep what brings you Joy. Apply that also to your thoughts. Replace with a prayer of praise. So simple!

The business meeting was led by President LuAnn Doyle. Discussions were held on upcoming events, lessons and future club outing plans.

Highlight of the night was the "Penny Auction". Sitting around the dining room table, all were given two numbered paddles. What some women will do for a bag of chocolate candy! Several games of Bingo later calmed the group down.

All of the members were present. Attending were Patty Johnson, LuAnn Doyle, Mary Lou Hickey, Diana Sharp, Faye Chinn, Karen Rumford, Janet Meyer, Phyllis Thornbury, Mareka Scott and Kathy Bay.

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Harrison County Go Red Committee plans heart disease awareness events in February

February is American Heart Month, and the Harrison County Go Red for Women Committee is doing its part to raise awareness of heart disease in women. This year marks the 14th anniversary of the national heart disease awareness campaign.

Fourteen years ago, the American Heart Association discovered that heart disease killed more women than men. Based on these findings, the AHA formed Go Red For Women, a campaign to bring awareness of heart disease through education. Accomplishments of the 14-year campaign include:

- 34% fewer women now die from heart disease.
- More than 627,000 women's lives have been saved.
- 26% increase in awareness that heart disease is the #1 killer of women

Historically, women have not been associated with heart disease. However, statistics prove that heart disease is not just a man's health concern. Here are a few facts:

- Heart disease is the number one killer of American women.
- One in three women dies from heart disease.
- Estimated 44 million American are affected by cardiovascular disease.

The campaign continues to urge women to know the risk factors: smoking, high blood pressure, elevated cholesterol, overweight, physical inactivity, diabetes, family history and age (for women 55 and older). Having more than one risk factor increases your chances of developing heart disease. Women are encouraged to have a heart disease risk assessment as early as age 20.

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Starting February 1, the committee is sponsoring Paint the Town Red. All businesses are encouraged to display red in windows or on buildings during the month.

Friday, February 2, is National Wear Red Day. The committee is also sponsoring Wear Red to School Day on February 2. We are encouraging

all residents to wear red on that day to promote heart disease awareness. If your school, employees or groups participate in this event, the committee encourages you to submit photos for the celebration event on February 22. Photos may be submitted to Harrison Memorial Hospital (HMH), c/o Mollie Smith, 1210 KY Highway 36 East, Cynthiana, KY 41031 or at msmith@hmosp.org.

Another day to keep in mind is Sunday, February 11—Wear Red to Church Day. Church ministers received information and statistics about heart disease from the committee. The committee would like to use pictures for its Go Red for Women Celebration. Please send photos to Harrison Memorial Hospital, c/o Lesley Roark, 1210 KY Highway 36 E, Cynthiana, KY 41031 or at lroark@hmosp.org.

The final event of the month is, on Thursday, February 22, everyone is encouraged to attend the annual Harrison County Go Red Celebration to be held at Harrison County Extension Office from 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. At this year's event, HMH cardiologist, Dr. B.K. Srivastava, will be the featured speaker at 6:15 p.m. Doors open at 5:15 p.m. with dinner being served at 5:45 p.m. Informational booths will be on hand with heart health tips. There will be giveaways, door prizes and a free dinner will be available. The first 125 people receive a free gift. This year, Ashford Acres Inn as donated a dinner for two to a March reservation-only event. Also, this year, we are requesting RSVPs by February 19 in regards to the meal for the Go Red event.

The Harrison Co. Go Red Committee is comprised of several members from various organizations and volunteers from the community. Organizations sponsoring the events are Bowlers That's Us, Harrison Co. Extension Office, CHP Wellness Committee, Harrison County Homemakers, Harrison County School System, Harrison Memorial Hospital, Hospice of the Bluegrass, and Wedco District Health Department.

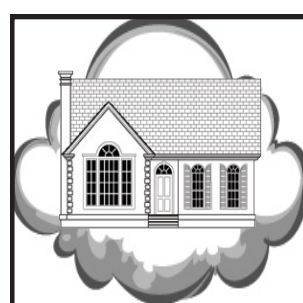
If you would like to have someone speak to your organization about heart disease and/or more information about the local events, please contact Mollie Smith at Harrison Memorial Hospital at 859-235-3510. If you would like additional information about a healthier heart, visit ww.hearttruth.org.

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Sports

Panthers fall to Black Devils 59-73

Fresh off their 10th region All A championship win the night before, the Robertson County Black Devils came to Augusta to face the Panthers Friday night, January 19th. Where the home team hoped to catch the Black Devils still on a high from their first All A title. The Panthers got an early jump on things and held a 14-10 lead after 1 quarter. But it didn't take long for the Black Devils to take the lead and start to control the pace. They outscored the Panthers 26-13 in the 2nd quarter and took a 36-27 lead at the break.

In the 3rd quarter the Black Devils continued to stay ahead and build on their lead, 53-38. The Panthers would drop 21 points in the final period but the deficit was too much to overcome and they would fall to Robertson County for the 3rd time this season, 73-59. Augusta fell to 7-9 on the season.

"We just turn the ball over too much and it hurts us night after night," said Coach Kirk, "Ball security needs to be a priority for us right now if we expect to extend our season next month."

Scoring: Philpot 17, White 9, Ripato 8, Cordle 7, Eichenberger 7, Mains 6, Appelman 2, Reed 2.

Augusta falls to Fleming Co. 66-70

Augusta was on the road Saturday night, January 20th, visiting the Fleming County Panthers. Fleming County got off to a strong start putting up 23 points in the 1st quarter to take a 23-15 lead after the first 8 minutes. But they would go cold in the 2nd quarter after scoring the first two buckets of the quarter. Augusta would take advantage outscoring Fleming County 10-0 to finish the half down two, 27-25.

The tight contest stayed that way through the 3rd quarter but it seemed whenever Fleming County needed big buckets they got them and that helped them continue to hold the lead, 51-46. In the 4th quarter Augusta and Fleming County would battle until the end but the Panthers of Fleming County would hold on, despite Augusta's efforts, 70-66. The loss dropped Augusta to 7-10.

"We are struggling to find our way," said Coach Kirk, "There are little things we need to do to pull out wins in the end like this game tonight. If we can make strides as a team, we just might turn this around."

Scoring: Philpot 16, Appelman 13, Ripato 12, Eichenberger 11, White 8, Cordle 3, Reed 2, Mains 1.

Panthers defeat Saints 81-77

On Tuesday night, January 23rd, the Augusta Panthers welcomed the St. Patrick Saints to the Panthers' Den for their third meeting of the season but their first with the Saints featuring Ben Swolsky, back from injury, and Isaiah Garrison, recently eligible from his transfer from Mason County. Augusta was first to score and kept it that way for about half the quarter leading 12-0 before the Saints could get a basket. An Austin Eichenberger three pointer that just beat the buzzer would give the Panthers a 17-6 lead after the 1st quarter. The Saints offense started to make some noise in the 2nd quarter and quickly made it a ballgame and took their first lead at 23-22 but it wouldn't last long as the Panthers got it back and held onto it at intermission, 36-34.

Augusta continued to hold the lead in the 3rd quarter thanks to a 7-2 run to start. The Saints would keep battling but the Panthers got a big boost near the end of the quarter to go to the 4th with a 52-42 lead. St. Patrick still would not go away and kept the game exciting until the end, even getting within three points late but Augusta hit the necessary free throws down the stretch to hold on to this one and pull out a hard fought win, 81-77. The Panthers are now 8-10.

"This team needed a confidence boost, a win that showed us what we are capable of," said Coach Kirk, "They really wanted this one and played like it. We need this attitude every night we take the floor."

Scoring: Philpot 24, Eichenberger 21, Cordle 11, Mains 9, White 7, Appelman 6, Ripato 3.

Panthers 8-11 on season

The Augusta Panthers were back on the road Friday night, January 26th, to face the Nicholas County Bluejackets. Augusta got off to a nice start in the 1st quarter once again jumping out in front and keeping the Bluejackets trailing 15-13. In the 2nd quarter, the Panthers weren't shooting the ball very well but Nicholas County wasn't either so the game remained close. As the quarter came to an end Nicholas County was holding a 26-24 lead and with time ticking away Stephen Cordle hit Austin Eichenberger for a corner three that gave Augusta a 27-26 halftime advantage.

The 3rd quarter saw Nicholas County take control of the game but Augusta was finding a way to stay close. The Bluejackets would go out in front as many as 7 points but the Panthers

Augusta Board of Education honors 5th grade achievers



Augusta Independent 5th Graders who scored Proficient / Distinguished on the K-Prep test were honored at the January Board Meeting. Those pictured above from left to right are, front row: Addison Cooper, Nicole Archibald, and Paige Mattingly. Back row: Keeton Bach, Natalie Basford, Katelyn Wilson, and Christina Etzel. Not Pictured: Anson Castle, Elijah Cline, Matthew Crager, Catherine Hay, Houston Hayden, Mallory Jett, Wyatt Linsinbigler, Brandon May, Addyson Scudder, Carson Shields, and Braxton Vancleve.

Photo submitted

would cut into that lead and trail 41-39 going into the final period. Augusta would battle through the quarter but Nicholas County would not have much trouble with the Panthers pressure extending their lead to double figures a couple of occasions. Augusta would get as close as 5 for the final margin, 61-56. The loss dropped the Panthers to 8-11.

Scoring vs. Nicholas County: Cordle 14, Mains 14, Ripato 9, Appelman 7, Philpot 7, Eichenberger 3, White 2.

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Lady Panther Stats

1/19 vs Robertson

Lost 50-60

Scoring: Hannah Arthur - 10; Nicole Arthur - 14; Madison Kelsch - 9; Alexis Shields - 9; and Emma Young - 2.

Rebounds: Hannah Arthur - 3; Nicole Arthur - 7; Kaylee Browning - 3; Madeline Darnell - 6; Kylee Harper - 2; Madison Kelsch - 7; Alexis Shields - 6; Kathlyn Stanton - 2; and Emma Young - 3.

1/22 vs Villa Madonna

Won 60-48

Scoring: Hannah Arthur - 4; Nicole Arthur - 16; Madeline Darnell - 1; Kylee Harper - 3; Madison Kelsch - 1; Alexis Shields - 12; Kathlyn Stanton - 20; and Emma Young - 4.

Rebounds: Hannah Arthur - 6; Nicole Arthur - 9; Madeline Darnell - 4; Kylee Harper - 4; Madison Kelsch - 1; Alexis Shields - 7; and Kathlyn Stanton - 4

1/23 vs St. Pat

Won 67-38

Scoring: Hannah Arthur - 22; Nicole Arthur - 7; Kaylee Browning - 5; Madeline Darnell - 2; Reagan Jett - 2; Madison Kelsch - 11; Alexis Shields - 5; Kathlyn Stanton - 11; and Emma Young - 2.

Rebounds: Hannah Arthur - 2; Nicole Arthur - 6; Kaylee Browning - 1; Kylee Harper - 1; Alexis Shields - 6; Kathlyn Stanton - 2; and Emma Young - 1.

SCHOOL MENU

BRACKEN COUNTY BREAKFAST

Mon., Feb. 5 - Muffins, cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.

Tues., Feb. 6 - Breakfast pizza, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

Wed., Feb. 7 - Sausage & biscuits, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

Thurs., Feb. 8 - French toast minis, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

Fri., Feb. 9 - Doughnuts, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

LUNCH

Mon., Feb. 5 - Chicken tenders or hamburger on bun, Doritos, broccoli, baked beans, fruit, milk.

Tues., Feb. 6 - Pepperoni calzone or hot dog on bun, mixed green salad, beets, fruit, milk.

Wed., Feb. 7 - Taco salad with nacho chips or turkey & cheese sandwich, corn, refried beans, cookie bar, fruit, milk.

Thurs., Feb. 8 - Spaghetti with meat sauce or ham & cheese sandwich, green beans, dinner roll, fruit, milk.

Fri., Feb. 9 - Fish or hoagie on bun, macaroni & cheese, carrots, fruit, milk.

AUGUSTA SCHOOLS BREAKFAST

Mon., Feb. 5 - French toast with syrup and sausage link or cereal, banana, milk, OJ.

Tues., Feb. 6 - Bagel with cream cheese or cereal, peaches, milk, OJ.

Wed., Feb. 7 - Breakfast pizza or cereal, banana, milk, OJ.

Thurs., Feb. 8 - Sweet roll or cereal, mixed fruit, milk, OJ.

Fri., Feb. 9 - Sausage biscuit and jelly or cereal, peaches, milk, OJ.

LUNCH

Mon., Feb. 5 - Fish or chicken on bun, potato wedges, tomatoes, pears, milk.

Tues., Feb. 6 - Sloppy joe or hot dog, curly fries, coleslaw, mixed fruit, milk.

Wed., Feb. 7 - Chili or chicken noodle soup, pimento cheese or peanut butter sandwich, carrot sticks, crackers, peaches, milk.

Thurs., Feb. 8 - Ham & chese sandwich or pizza, buttered potatoes, broccoli, pineapple, milk.

Fri., Feb. 9 - Hot dog or beefaroni, salad or corn breadstick, mixed fruit, milk.

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Polar Bears Stats

1-6 vs Paris All “A”
Lost 36-63
Scoring: Cole Bishop - 3; Jhace Cummins - 6; Trey Deaton - 2; Tad Fisher - 11; Tanner Fisher - 5; Mason Tucker - 3; and Travis Tucker - 4.
Rebounds: Cole Bishop - 4; Trey Deaton - 3; Tad Fisher - 7; Nathan Jefferson - 1; Travis Tucker - 5; and Jared Zornes - 1.

1/19 vs Nicholas
Lost 46-59
Scoring: Cole Bishop - 4; Jhace Cummins - 3; Trey Deaton - 2; Tad Fisher - 10; Nathan Jefferson - 3; and Mason Tucker - 18.
Rebounds: Cole Bishop - 2; Jhace Cummins - 1; Trey Deaton - 2; Tad Fisher - 5; Tanner Fisher - 2; and Mason Tucker - 4.

1/20 vs Dayton
Won 65-51
Scoring: Cole Bishop - 6; Jhace Cummins - 9; Trey Deaton - 14; Tad Fisher - 9; Tanner Fisher - 11; Mason Tucker - 14; and Travis Tucker - 2.
Rebounds: Johnny Bell - 1; Cole Bishop - 8; Jhace Cummins - 1; Trey Deaton - 4; Tad Fisher - 3; Nathan Jefferson - 1; Mason Tucker - 1; and Travis Tucker - 3.

Lady Bears Stats

1/18 vs Rowan
Lost 49-78
Scoring: Natalie Bell - 6; Kennedy Carl - 12; Georganna Carpenter - 2; Aryah Myrick - 4; Kinley Ruf - 20; and Audrey Wright - 4.
Rebounds: Kennedy Carl - 2; Sarah Crouch - 1; Madison Goecke - 2; Elena Insko - 1; Aryah Myrick - 2; and Kinley Ruf - 13.

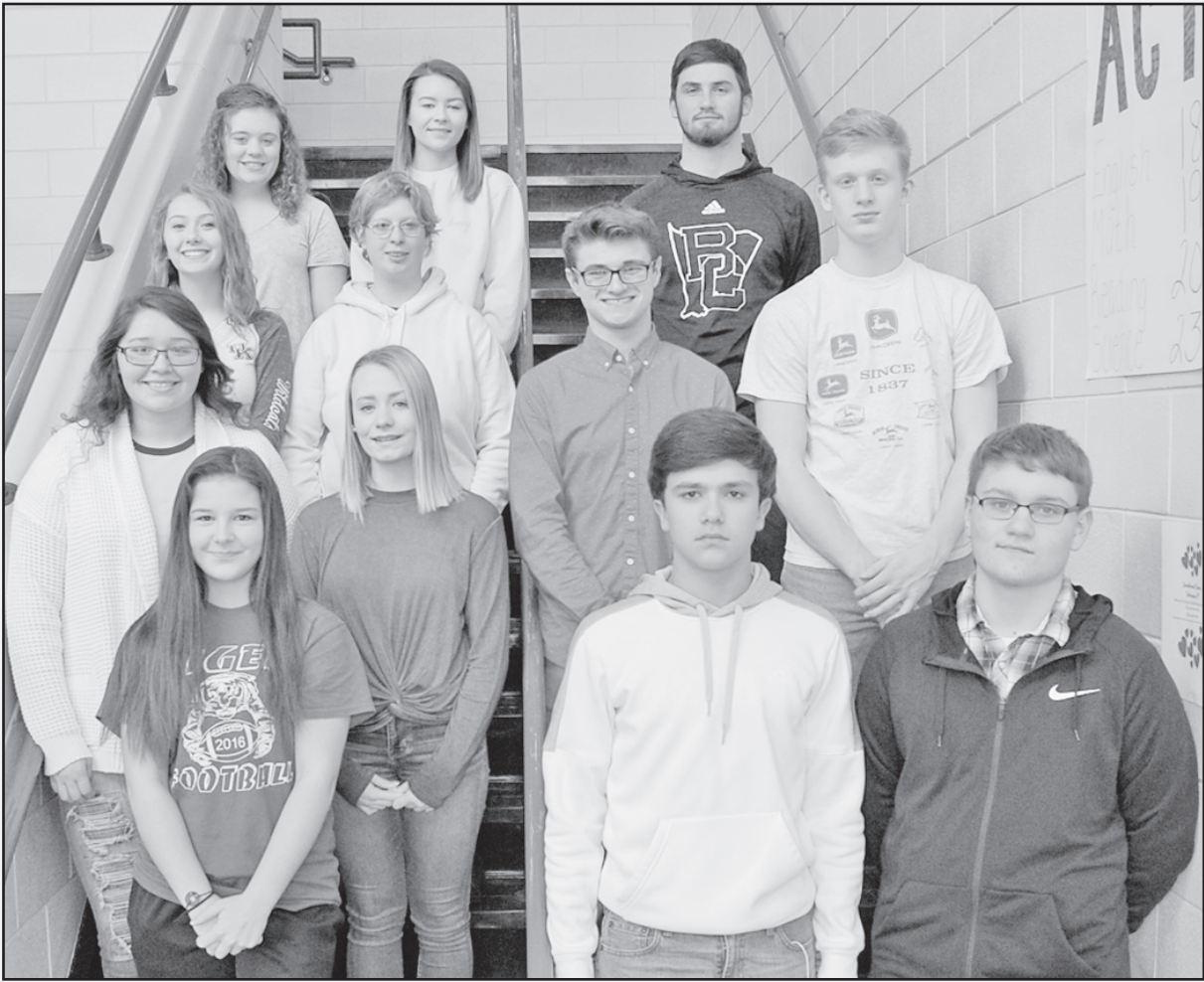
1/19 vs Harrison
Lost 37-58
Scoring: Natalie Bell - 8; Kennedy Carl - 4; Jaya Dawson - 12; Kinley Ruf - 9; Kaitlyn Wills - 2; and Audrey Wright - 2.
Rebounds: Natalie Bell - 5; Kennedy Carl - 6; Madison Goecke - 3; Aryah Myrick - 10; Kinley Ruf - 6; Kaitlyn Wills - 2; and Audrey Wright 1.

1/20 vs Dayton
Won 56-54
Scoring: Natalie Bell - 12; Kennedy Carl - 15; Madison Goecke - 8; Aryah Myrick - 9; Kinley Ruf - 10; and Kaitlyn Wills - 4.
Rebounds: Natalie Bell - 3; Kennedy Carl - 3; Madison Goecke - 3; Aryah Myrick - 12; Kinley Ruf - 5; Kaitlyn Wills - 4; and Audrey Wright - 1.

1/22 vs Williamstown
Won 58-46
Scoring: Natalie Bell - 12; Kennedy Carl - 21; Jaya Dawson - 7; Aryah Myrick - 4; Kinley Ruf - 12; and Kaitlyn Wills - 1.
Rebounds: Natalie Bell - 1; Kennedy Carl - 2; Jaya Dawson - 1; Madison Goecke - 2; Aryah Myrick - 6; Kinley Ruf - 4; and Kaitlyn Wills - 5.

1/24 vs Pendleton
Won 53-42
Scoring: Natalie Bell - 15; Kennedy Carl - 10; Aryah Myrick - 2; Kinley Ruf - 19; and Kaitlyn Wills - 7.
Rebounds: Natalie Bell - 2; Kennedy Carl - 4; Madison Goecke - 1; Isabella Hardy - 1; Aryah Myrick - 9; Kinley Ruf - 6; Kaitlyn Wills - 3; and Audrey Wright - 1.

Bracken announces Basketball Homecoming candidates



Pictured left to right are, front row: Kamryn Tucker, Nathan Jefferson, and Brian Colemire. 2nd row: Elena Insko, Victoria Muse, Garrett Flynn, and Jared Zornes. 3rd row: Kaitlyn Bond, Deeanna Oldham, and Tad Fisher. Back row: Micayla Saunders and Monica Carmack. Not pictured Karlee Tucker, Marshall Brown, Cole Bishop, and Tanner Fisher.

Bracken County High School will host their Basketball Homecoming festivities this Friday night, February 2nd. Homecoming will be held between the JV and Varsity games of the Polar Bears and the Pendleton County Wildcats. The game is a triple header with doors opening at 4 p.m. and the Freshman game beginning at 5 p.m. Along with Homecoming activities, the Polar Bear Baseball Team will be holding a chili supper fund-raiser with a cake auction at halftime of the varsity game.

Candidates for King and Queen are: Seniors Cole Bishop, son of Jeremy and Tami Bishop; Tanner Fisher, son of Daniel and Vicki Fisher; Monica Carmack, daughter of Johnnie and Heather Carmack; and Micayla Saunders, granddaughter of David and LuAnn Saunders; and Juniors Marshall Brown, son of Stephanie Brown and Ronnie Brown; Tad Fisher, son of Daniel and Vicki Fisher; Kaitlyn Bond, daughter of Sam and Sherry Bond; and Deeanna Oldham, daughter of Angela Flannery.

Candidates for Prince and Princess are: Sophomores Garrett Flynn, son of Brian and Karla Flynn; Jared Zornes, son of Janie Meyer; Elena Insko, daughter of Melody Insko and Raciell Baltazar; and Victoria Muse, daughter of Lois and Darren Garrison; and Freshmen Brian Colemire, son of Steve and Deanne Colemire; Nathan Jefferson, son of Justin Jefferson and Amy Jefferson; Kamryn Tucker, daughter of Mark and Dana Tucker; and Karlee Tucker, daughter of Troy Tucker and Sarah Tabor.



MIKE HARMON
AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Honorable Earl Bush, Bracken County Judge/Executive
The Honorable Howard Niemeier, Bracken County Sheriff
Members of the Bracken County Fiscal Court

Independent Auditor’s Report

Report on the Financial Statement
We have audited the accompanying Statement of Receipts, Disbursements, and Excess Fees - Regulatory Basis of the Sheriff of Bracken County, Kentucky, for the year ended December 31, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statement.

Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statement
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in accordance with accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky’s regulatory basis of accounting and budget laws. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor’s Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Audit Guide for County Fee Officials* issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity’s internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles
As described in Note 1 of the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared by the Bracken County Sheriff on the basis of the accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the laws of Kentucky to demonstrate compliance with the Commonwealth of Kentucky’s regulatory basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The effects on the financial statement of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles
In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles paragraph, the financial statement referred to above does not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of each fund of the Bracken County Sheriff, as of December 31, 2016, or changes in financial position or cash flows thereof for the year then ended.

Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting
In our opinion, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the receipts, disbursements, and excess fees of the Bracken County Sheriff for the year ended December 31, 2016, in accordance with the basis of accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky as described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards
In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 28, 2017, on our consideration of the Bracken County Sheriff’s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity’s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Harmon
Auditor of Public Accounts

September 28, 2017
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Bracken Indoor Track Season starts with PR’s for all competitors

Bracken County High School Track Team attended their first Indoor Track Meet on Saturday, January 27th In Lexington for the Wildcat Classic.

Kaleb Darnell ran his first 60 meter dash in 7.93 seconds and his first 200 meter dash in 25.85. He set a new PR in the long jump with his distance of 17’ 6.5”.

In the 800 meter run Nicholas Cummins PR’d with his 2:25.66 finish as did Thomas Yelton with his 2:33.46 finish.

In the one mile run, Nicholas Cummins PR’d with 5:09.55 finish time as did Daniel Simons with his 5:29.48 finish and Damon Bryant did as well with hid 5:51.31 finish.

In the two mile run, Jared Jefferson PR’d with his 10:12.59 finish time as did Brandon Cox with his 10:31.46 finish time.

The team competes next on Saturday, February 10th at Mason County’s 2nd Indoor Track Meet. They will compete at UK again on Saturday, February 17th. They will end their indoor season at the Indoor State Meet in Maysville on Saturday, March 3rd.

Bracken Track Team 6th Annual Mattress Sale Sat., Feb. 24th

The Bracken County High School Track team is having their 6th Annual Mattress Sale Fund-raiser Saturday, February 24th. **If you happen to need a new mattress, or know of someone who might, this is a perfect opportunity for you to save money and help out the team.** Basically, there will be a mattress showroom set up in the gymnasium of Taylor Elementary from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, February 24th.

All mattress sets are up to 50% off the original retail price!! They are all brand new, factory sealed with full factory warranties! A professional sales team will be taking orders and answering questions at the sale. Everything will be ready for delivery within 2 weeks. **Special financing available, 6 months interest free.** Layaway and delivery is also available. They have Simmons Beautyrest and other name brands.

There are no high pressure sales. Team members will be on hand with coupons for a free sheet set with a mattress purchase over \$399 (with coupon). Mattress prices start at \$249 – twin, \$279 – full, \$299 – queen, or \$499 – King/CA-King. Every sale will benefit the team.

More information can be found at the Facebook link <http://bit.ly/BrackenCo2018>.

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Trash Talk

by: Mr. Recycle Bin & Ms. Pick-Up Litterbug

Howdy Folks! Since this article is for Thurs., Feb. 1, it must follow that tomorrow is Groundhog’s Day and we wish you each a great day of fun and celebrations! Supposedly, Punxsutawney Phil, the world’s only official weather predicting groundhog will make his annual appearance to tell us if there will be an early spring or six more weeks of winter. This celebration has been a tradition in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, since 1887 and each year evolves into more elaborate gatherings and parties! Organizers and members of the ‘Inner Circle’ declare that Phil has never been wrong because somewhere his predictions do materialize! So far, our winter has not been that bad so we will hold good thoughts that the second half will follow suit!

Recently we had a call requesting that we enroll the caller in Rumpke Trash Service. Unfortunately, we don’t have that capabilities but we can give you the number to connect you to someone who will be ready, willing and able to do that! Rumpke’s toll free number is 1-877-786-7537. Customers are billed quarterly and those in rural Bracken County pay approx. \$51.60 for ninety days of curbside pickup service of trash which is less than the cost of a can of pop or cup of coffee per day! That averages out to just under \$.58 per day which is not a bad deal for weekly trash service! Customers are allowed any combination of six bags or cans and one large item per week. Those bags and cans shouldn’t weigh more than 50 pounds. TV’s weighing 50 pounds or less or those with 32” screens are also acceptable. If you have the old projection style TV or those that are even older known as console

TV’s, you have two options of disposal. The first is to break the TV up into pieces of 50 pounds or less for Rumpke to pick up. The second is to load up that old TV on a trailer or pickup truck and take it to a landfill yourself.

When we talked to the Rumpke Representative she told us that being a driver for Rumpke requires working 10-12 hours per day. Those days are filled with countless trips in and out of the truck while heaving a minimum of one or a maximum of six cans or bags from each customer weighing up to 50 pounds in all types of weather situations! We told her we would pass the information along that there is a constant need for Rumpke drivers simply because it is hard work and not everyone is physically capable of performing the job! Anyone interested in becoming a Rumpke employee can call the above number for more information!

We also received a call last week regarding the per pound payment of aluminum cans. Since the Mason County Recycling Center no longer has an aluminum can buy-back program, we contacted Butler Recycling, 5148 US 62, Maysville for information. Butler Recycling representative told us that they are paying \$.50 per pound for cans whether you are selling one pound or 1,000 pounds, and this price has been steady for some time. If you need information on aluminum or other types of metal, you can reach Butler Recycling at 1-606-759-8863. This is the only company we know of that is close. We’ve contacted Pendleton County SWM to determine any buy-back programs for those in western Bracken County but will have

Bracken Fiscal Court

A regular meeting of the Bracken County Fiscal Court was held Wed., Dec. 27, 2017, for the purpose of transacting any business properly presented by the established agenda. Presiding: Earl Bush, County Judge Executive. Present: Carl Allen, Clark Hennessey, David Kelsch, David Hughes, Scotty Lippert, John Corlis, Doug Smith, and Dennis Jefferson.

Let the Record reflect that the Court members received a copy of the vendor claims.

Upon motion of Scotty Lippert, seconded by Doug Smith, that the court approve the minutes of the regular meeting on Dec. 13, 2017. Vote unanimous.

Bracken Co. Judge Executive, Earl Bush, and the Bracken Co. Fiscal Court presented Marie Courts with a Proclamation honoring A. Baxter Courts for his service to the county and the country.

Floor open to the public to discuss anything other than agenda items - None.

Roads & Projects Updates - Judge Bush advised the Road Dept. worked Christmas Eve with the snow on county roads.

Resolution 17-14; 80/20 Bridge Program - Jett Road \$160,000 - Upon motion of Doug Smith, seconded by John Corlis, that the court pass Resolution #17-14 regarding Jett Road approved for the 80/20 Bridge Program in the amount of \$160,000. Vote unanimous.

Agreement - 80/20 Bridge Program - Jett Road \$160,000 - Upon motion of Clark Hennessey, seconded

to get back with you on that. As always, please RECYCLE, REUSE and REDUCE to keep God’s earth clean, green and beautiful! Be seen’ you – *Bin & Bug.*

by Doug Smith, that the Court enter into an agreement with the KY Transportation Cabinet regarding removal of old and installation of new bridge on Jett Road in the amount of \$160,000. Vote unanimous.

Bid - Recycle Trailer (surplus) - Upon motion of David Hughes, seconded by David Kelsch the bid for the recycle trailer in the amount of \$607 submitted by Glenn Bell be accepted/approved. (see all bids below). Vote unanimous.

1st Reading of Ordinance #17-04 amending Ordinance 96-3 regarding the establishment of a 911 communications service in Bracken County - Upon motion of David Kelsch, seconded by David Hughes, the Court agrees to pass the 1st reading of Ordinance 17-04 amending Ordinance 96-3 regarding establish-ing a 911 communications service in Bracken County. Vote unanimous.

Bracken Co. Sheriff Budget 2018 - *Tabled - Sheriff out of town, due to a death in his family.

Bracken Co. Clerk Budget 2018 - Upon motion of John Corlis, seconded by David Hughes, that the revised 2018 Budget submitted by Rae Jean Poe, Bracken Co. Clerk, be accepted/approved. This reflects a 2.3% increase in deputies gross salaries over the 2017 actuals. Vote unanimous

General Fund Vendor Claims - Upon motion of Scotty Lippert, seconded by John Corlis, that the following General Fund Vendor Claims be approved for payment. Vote unanimous.

Road Fund Vendor Claims - Upon motion of Dennis Jefferson, seconded by Doug Smith, that the following Road Fund Vendor Claims be approved for payment. Vote unanimous.

Jail Fund Vendor Claims - Upon motion of Clark Hennessey, seconded by David Kelsch, that the following Jail Fund Vendor Claims be approved for payment. Vote unanimous.

*Judge Bush invited everyone to attend the Judge’s Holiday Brunch at 11 a.m. Thurs., Dec 28th.

*David Holton addressed the court about a circuit court issue regarding fencing and property lines. Co. Attorney, Beth Moore, advised Mr. Holton that she had already advised him on the issue in a previous meeting in her office and she would be glad to meet with him again. She advised that the Fiscal Court could not be of assistance in his issue.

*Let the record reflect that the Jailer submitted a report showing inmate transports for September, October & November 2017.

Upon motion of John Corlis, seconded by Doug Smith, that the meeting be adjourned. Vote unanimous.

Cummins named MSC Player of the Week



Bailey is shown above left in the Thurs., Jan. 18th game against Georgetown College.

Bailey Cummins, a sophomore at Shawnee State, was named the Mid-South Conference (MSC) Women’s Basketball Player of the Week for the second time this year and of her career on Monday, January 22nd. She averaged 16 points, 4.5 assists, and 3 rebounds in two conference wins the week prior to being selected. At that point, she lead the MSC in three-point filed goal percentage (46.8) and assists per game (4.24).

The former Lady Bear is the daughter of Lora Riemann, Hubert Coy and Amy Cummins Nickerson; Roy & Lois Machen; Dale & Brenda Wolfe.

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Latest contributors to the Augusta Volunteer Fire Department 2018 fund drive include:

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The Don’ts of Recycling (Do NOT put into bin)

Wet, waxed or soiled Paper Used Paper Plates, Cups, Towels, Napkins or Tissues	Wet, soiled or waxed Cardboard Wax coated juice, milk or beverage boxes	Light Bulbs, Window Glass Mirrors Drinking Glass	Cans used for paint or chemicals Aerosol Spray Cans Appliances Power Tools Batteries	Containers for Chemicals or Automotive products such as oil or antifreeze Rubber or Styrofoam Plastic Sheeting Heat Shrink Wrap
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Recycling Bins are rotated on Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings. Bins that are full are taken to the Mason County Recycling Center, then taken to the proper Drop Off Area. Due to different circumstances on any given day, specific pickup and return times of the bins cannot be given. The Schedule of Rotation follows:

Monday:
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Return to Bold Carpet at Foster
Pickup at BC Extension Office/
Return to The Berlin Store

Wednesday:
Pickup at Foster/
Return to Gertrude
Pickup at Berlin/
Return to Milford

Thursday:
Pickup at Gertrude/
Return to Augusta
on Friday

Friday:
Pickup at Milford/ Return to Extension Office

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Appalachian Cow Calf Conference set for Feb. 10th

The regional Agronomy Day will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 7th at the Mason County Extension Office starting at 9 a.m. Producers from the region are welcome to attend. Topics to be presented include Pond Management, Drone Uses in Agriculture, Controlling Crop Insects, Grain Crop Fungicides, and Weed Management Options. The program will include Industry updates from the sponsors. Contact the Bracken County Extension Office at 735-2141 if you plan to attend so they can plan for the lunch.

Black Vulture and Coyote Management on Thurs., Feb. 8th

Dr. Matt Springer, Wildlife Specialist with be at the Bluegrass Maysville Stockyards on Thurs., Feb. 8th at 6 p.m. to present a program on Black Vulture and Coyote management and control options for livestock producers. As we approach the spring calving season, you need to arm yourself with all the recommended options to reduce your risk of predators on your herd. Be sure and put this informative meeting on your calendar.

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Frankfort: House Week in Review

State Rep. John Sims, Jr.



In ways large and small, illegal drug use touches all of us. It steals the future of those addicted, it tears at the lives of their loved ones, it fills our prisons beyond capacity, it strains local and state government budgets, it overwhelms first responders and substance-abuse treatment programs and it keeps businesses from finding the workers they need.

Drug addiction has been with us for centuries, but the crisis in Kentucky seemed to cross a threshold around 2000. In the years since then, our communities have been flooded with deadly waves of painkillers, synthetic drugs, methamphetamines and heroin.

In each case, the General Assembly came up with money and legislation designed to stop it, and while that collective effort has been highly effective, the battlefield unfortunately keeps changing.

On Wednesday last week, many of my House colleagues and I joined with Attorney General Andy Beshear to promote legislation that would give us another important tool in that fight.

House Bill 219 would create the Kentucky Addiction Prevention, Enforcement and Recovery Fund and a new oversight committee to administer it. Its primary source of money would come from settlements won by the Attorney General's office against irresponsible drug companies, manufacturers and distributors.

As it now stands, these settlements may sit idle for as long as two years, until they can be budgeted by the General Assembly. That can be an eternity for many needing treatment now, so this approach would put that money to use almost immediately and benefit law enforcement, treatment providers and prevention experts.

The settlements are often significant. They've totaled more than \$40 million since 2014 alone, according to Attorney General Beshear, and he has several cases making their way through the legal system now, including one filed on Monday last week. That one says the pharmaceutical company provided more than 18 million doses of oxycodone and generic hydrocodone in Floyd County alone between 2010 and 2016.

That's almost 500 doses for every one of its 38,000-plus citizens, and in Perry, Clay, Owsley and Bell counties, the per-person prescription rate was more than 350. Again, this was just from a single pharmaceutical company, so overall numbers are almost certainly greater.

It can be easy to get lost in a sea of statistics, but that fact – and another showing that four Kentuckians die on average each day from an overdose – underscore the true size of this epidemic and the need to do even more than we already are.

That is the main reason why I co-chaired

a task force to legalize medical cannabis and filed House Bill 166, which would add Kentucky to the more than two dozen other states that are already taking this approach, which evidence has shown can be highly effective at reducing opiate abuse.

As my legislation and House Bill 219 start their journey through the legislative process, another cleared its final hurdle on Wednesday last week, when the House approved Senate Bill 3. It still has one more step before becoming law, however, with voters deciding the fate of this proposed constitutional amendment in November.

This legislation is more widely known as "Marsy's Law," and many other states have already adopted it to give more legal rights to crime victims. It's named after a Marsalee (Marsy) Nicholas, a California college student who was murdered in 1983. Just a week after her death, her brother and mother unexpectedly met the accused murderer in a grocery store, unaware that he had been released on bail. That spurred Marsy's family to action.

Those in favor of this amendment argue that victims deserve to be better heard and informed during legal proceedings, while opponents argue that this approach has not always worked as intended in states where it is law and that it has been an unfunded mandate on already-squeezed judicial budgets. It is worth noting that Kentucky was the first state to notify victims of violent crimes if an offender has

been released from jail or, if a protective order is involved, whether the offender purchased a firearm.

For voters, this is how the amendment will read on the ballot: "Are you in favor of providing constitutional rights to victims of crime, including the right to be treated fairly, with dignity and respect, and the right to be informed and to have a voice in the judicial process?"

As we all know by now, last Tuesday was a tragic day for Marshall County and, really, our entire country, as we mourned the loss of two young students during a shooting at their high school. More than a dozen others were wounded.

In the General Assembly, we often find ourselves differing over political matters, but we were united that day as Kentuckians while we paused and reflected on what had occurred. While we still do not know all of the details, we know that we must re-commit ourselves to

making our schools as safe as possible. It is a goal that will undoubtedly be discussed even more as the legislative session continues.

This week marks the one-third point of the session, leaving us with about two months to approve new laws and a two-year budget to run state government. Hundreds of you have already contacted me, and my hope is that thousands of others will join them in the days ahead.

If you would like to be part of that group, my address is Room 429C, Capitol Annex, 702 Capitol Avenue, Frankfort, KY 40601, or you can send me an email at John.Sims@lrc.ky.gov.

You can also leave a message for me or for any legislator at 800-372-7181. For those with a hearing impairment, the number is 800-896-0305.

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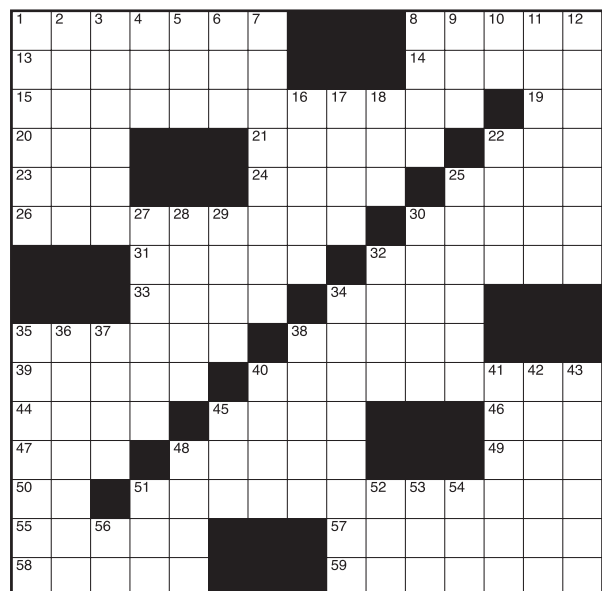
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February 1st Crossword Puzzle

CLUES ACROSS

1. Warm-blooded vertebrates
8. Semitic peoples
13. Supervise
14. Historical German territory
15. Sweat
19. The Wolverine State
20. China
21. Violent disturbances
22. A way to commemorate the dead
23. Midway between east and southeast

24. Bird genus
25. Trim
26. Disparaged
30. More coherent
31. Abnormal rattling sounds
32. Healthy appetizers
33. Partner to "shocked"
34. French pianist Pascal
35. Jokes
38. Marks to omit print
39. Tall
40. Coverage
44. "A Death in the Family" author
45. Role of highlights
46. Fixed-radio access
47. Partly digested food
48. "Lamb Chop" puppeteer Lewis
49. In support of
50. Aluminum
51. Reduction in value over time
55. Running events
57. Portuguese region
58. Slovenly women



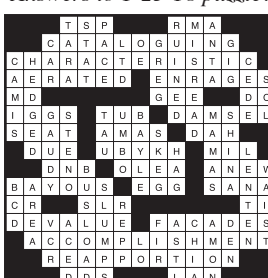
59. Strongly criticized

CLUES DOWN

1. Wiped up
2. Opposed to
3. Macon, GA, university
4. Wife
5. Small viper
6. Polynesian garland of flowers
7. Saw-like
8. Maltese-Italian composer Girolamo
9. Moved faster than walking
10. Commercial
11. Covered with mud
12. Marksmen
16. Buenos —
17. Tailless amphibian
18. Belonging to a thing
22. Mars crater
25. Most fair
27. Citrus fruit
28. Awkward
29. Brews
30. Beloved late broadcaster Craig
32. All alone

34. Copies
35. Poster
36. Symmetrical
37. Grew older
38. Makes tractors
40. Not the front
41. State as fact
42. Long, narrow cut
43. Worked hard for
45. Indicates position in a box score
48. Tax
51. "Lookout Weekend" singer Debbie
52. Unhealthy
53. Imam name — Khan
54. A woolen cap of Scottish origin (abbr.)
56. The Golden State

Answers to 1-25-18 puzzle.



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New Owners - 556 Hamilton Rd. Absolutely no hunting, ATV/UTV riding or trespassing of any kind. Dogs will be shot, no exceptions, violators will be prosecuted to the fullest. (2-18)

No trespassing, fishing, hunting, walking, or crossing the creek at 1535 Mattox Rd., Neave. (2-18)

Absolutely no trespassing, hunting, or ATV's on the 86 acres King's Haven Farm, 1675 Hamilton Rd. (2-18)

No trespassing or hunting on the property owned by the Bradbury's on Hwy. 19 in the Valley Hi Subdivision, Augusta. (3-18)

Absolutely no trespassing of any kind on the farm located at 2321 Johnsville-Foster Rd. (3-18)

Absolutely no hunting or trespassing on the 24 1/2 acres located at 264 Rock Rd. Absolutely no exceptions! Violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Jeff Cline (4-18)

Absolutely no hunting or trespassing on the 114 acres located at 875 & 1159. Absolutely no exceptions! Violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. Kevin Cline (4-18)

Absolutely no hunting or trespassing of any kind on the 202.5718 acres, Barnett property located at 3416 Parina Rd., Brooksville. (6-18)

Absolutely no trespassing, hunting, fishing, quad riding or trapping for any purpose on the 100 acres of Johnny & Jenny Free at 2075 Brooksville-Powersville Rd. and the 1 1/2 acres at 224 Freedom Lane. Violators will be prosecuted. (6-18)

Absolutely no trespassing of any kind on the 100 acres of Arlene Jones located on Case Ridge. (7-18)

No hunting or trespassing without written permission on the William & Theresa Shook property located on Sparks

Road. (7-18)
Absolutely no hunting, quad running, or trespassing of any kind on the 46 acres located at 432 Johnsville-Foster Rd., Foster. (7-18)

No trespassing, hunting, fishing or use of quad runners on the former John Bay farm located on the Johnsville-Foster Road, Eden Ridge, Willow Creek & AA Hwy. Permission only. (7-18)

Posted: no trespassing, no hunting, no fishing, no trapping on the 59 acres owned by Scott Jones at 904 Oakland Rd. (8-18)

No trespassing, dumping or hunting on the Mary Latham Est., west Turtle Creek Road. (8-18)

No hunting or trespassing of any kind on the 23 acres owned by A.J. McQueen, located at 1383 Union Chapel Rd. All violators will be prosecuted. (9-18)

No hunting, trespassing, or 4-wheeler riding without written permission from Bill Ruf who has leased 110 acres at 1827 Western Hills Road owned by Janice & Lanny Shepherd. (9-18)

No hunting or trespassing of any kind, day or night on the farm at 2869 Moore Rd., without written permission. (9-18)

No hunting, 4-wheeling, or trespassing on McKenney land on No. 19 between Petra and Milford and on Moore Road. (10-18)

Absolutely no hunting or trespassing of any kind on the 30 acres of Billy & Judy Cooper on Perkins Ridge. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent. (10-18)

Absolutely no trespassing of any kind. No hunting, no fishing, no trapping or ATV/UTV/DirT Bike riding on the 42 acre property of Al & Leigh Sassler, 4980 AA Hwy., Foster. Violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. (10-18)

Real Estate Corner

5042 Mason Lane, May's Lick – 72 acres of land in Mason County. This property is an excellent recreational paradise and hunter's dream! Land is priced @ **\$95,000**. For more information, contact T.J. Burton 606-782-2150.

Kings Ridge Road, Brooksville – 4.349 Acres of land that will make a great building spot for your new home. The septic has already been approved and the gas and water lines have been run to the property. Land is priced @ **\$30,000**. For more information, contact T.J. Burton 606-782-2150.

819 Fords Avenue - Very nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with full basement, new siding, and concrete drive all on a quiet country road. Home is priced to sell @ **\$110,000**. For more information, contact T.J. Burton 606-782-2150.

136 Mary Ingles Highway - Excellent view of Augusta!!! This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home has recently been remodeled and is ready to move in. Additional acreage is available. This home is priced @ **\$99,000**. For more information, contact T.J. Burton 606-782-2150.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: Dedication + determination = results!

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NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY

RECOVERY BY ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE OF KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY'S AMENDMENT TO ITS 2016 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE PLAN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") filed with the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") on January 26, 2018 in Case No. 2017-00483, an Application pursuant to Kentucky Revised Statute 278.183 for approval of an amendment to Project 36 of its 2016 Environmental Compliance Plan for the purpose of recovering the capital costs associated with new pollution control facilities ("Amended Project 36") through an increase in the environmental surcharge on customers' bills beginning August 30, 2018 under KU's existing Electric Rate Schedule ECR, also known as the environmental cost recovery surcharge. The total capital cost of Amended Project 36 in KU's 2016 Environmental Compliance Plan is estimated to be \$14.7 million.

On August 8, 2016, the Commission approved KU's 2016 Environmental Compliance Plan, including the original Project 36, and granted an associated Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity in Case No. 2016-00026. The total capital cost of the original Project 36 was then estimated to be \$11.9 million. Following the approval of this project, KU continued to evaluate the timing of and capacity needs for Phase II of the landfill at the E.W. Brown Generation Station ("Brown"), and construction did not begin prior to the one-year expiration of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorization. The increase in the total capital cost between the original Project 36 and the cost of the now proposed amendment to Project 36 is estimated to be \$2.8 million.

Federal and state environmental regulations require KU to build and upgrade equipment and facilities that produce energy from coal to operate in an environmentally sound manner. Specifically, KU is seeking Commission approval of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the construction of Phase II of the landfill at Brown and to cap and close any remaining surface area of the Brown Main Ash Pond. This construction project is an amendment to Project 36 of KU's 2016 Environmental Compliance Plan that was approved by the Commission in 2016.

Additionally, KU is seeking an order approving Amended Project 36 for purposes of recovering the costs of the new pollution control facilities through its Environmental Surcharge tariff. Amended Project 36 is required for KU to comply with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's federal Hazardous and Solid Waste Management System; Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities ("Federal CCR Rule"), and other environmental requirements that apply to KU facilities used in the production of energy from coal. The total capital cost of the new pollution control facilities for which KU is seeking recovery at this time is estimated to be \$14.7 million. O&M costs related to amended Phase II will be similar to O&M costs incurred in Phase I and are not distinguishable. If Amended Project 36 is approved, KU plans to continue to recover its Brown CCR Landfill O&M costs through its environmental surcharge as part of Project 29 in KU's 2011 ECR Plan.

The impact on KU's Group 1 customers is estimated to be a 0.05% increase in 2018 with a maximum increase of 0.13% in 2020. Group 1 includes Rate Schedules RS, AES, and all Lighting Rates. For a KU residential customer using 1,122 kilowatt hours per month (kWh/mo), the initial monthly increase is expected to be \$0.06 during 2018, with the maximum monthly increase expected to be \$0.15 during 2020. AES customers using 21,341 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$0.97 up to \$2.50. Lighting Energy customers using 9,307 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$0.34 up to \$0.87. Traffic Energy customers using 160 kWh/mo and Lighting Service and Restricted Lighting Service customers using 61 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$0.01 up to \$0.02.

The impact on KU's Group 2 customers is estimated to be a 0.08% increase in 2018 with a maximum increase of 0.19% in 2020. Group 2 includes Rate Schedules GS, PS-Secondary (PSS), PS-Primary (PSP), Time of Day Secondary (TODS), Time of Day Primary (TODP), Retail Transmission Service (RTS), Fluctuating Load Service (FLS), School Power Service (SPS), School Time of Day Service (STOD), and Outdoor Sports Lighting Service (ODL).

GS customers using 1,805 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$0.13 up to \$0.34.
PSS customers using 39,535 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$1.85 up to \$4.78.
PSP customers using 82,036 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$3.92 up to \$10.14.
TODS customers using 245,344 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$8.76 up to \$22.67.
TODP customers using 1,241,109 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$35.48 up to \$91.81.
RTS customers using 4,160,317 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$106.75 up to \$276.26.
FLS customers using 46,076,466 kWh/mo could expect a monthly increase of \$1,033.18 up to \$2,673.67.
SPS and ODL customers could expect monthly increases consistent with PSS and PSP customers using the same kWh/mo.
STOD customers could expect monthly increases consistent with TODS customers using the same kWh/mo.

The Environmental Surcharge Application described in this Notice is proposed by KU. However, the Public Service Commission may issue an order modifying or denying KU's Environmental Surcharge Application. Such action may result in an environmental surcharge for customers other than the environmental surcharge described in this Notice.

Comments regarding KU's Amendment to Project 36 of its 2016 Environmental Surcharge Plan and Application may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its website or by mail to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

Any person may submit a timely written request for intervention in Case No. 2017-00483 to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of initial publication, the Commission may take final action on the Application. Any person who has been granted intervention may obtain copies of the Application and testimony by contacting Kentucky Utilities Company at 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky, 40202, Attention: State Regulation and Rates.

A copy of the Application and testimony is available for public inspection on KU's website (<http://www.lge-ku.com>), on the Commission's website (<http://www.psc.ky.gov>), and in paper medium Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 pm at the office of Kentucky Utilities Company, 100 Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky or the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, after January 26, 2018.

Public Notices

BRACKEN COUNTY FISCAL COURT NOTICE

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE #17-04 - An Ordinance amending Ordinance 96-3 regarding establishing the 911 communications service and setting fees in Bracken County.

The First reading of Ordinance #17-04 - passed by vote of the Bracken County Fiscal Court on December 27, 2017.

The full text of this ordinance (Ordinance 17-04) is available in the Bracken County Judge Executive's Office during regular working hours.

The public hearing for the Second Reading of ORDINANCE 17-04 will be February 14, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the courtroom, second floor of Bracken Co. Courthouse located at 116 West Miami Street, Brooksville KY. 41004.

The Second Reading will take place during the regular Fiscal Court meeting immediately following.

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LISTING PERIOD

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS OF BRACKEN COUNTY

January 1 through February 28 is the period for listing your real estate for assessment of State, County, City, Special Districts and School taxes for the year 2018. The assessment date for real property is January 1 as required by KRS 132.220.

The Property Valuation Administrator (PVA) DOES NOT HAVE ANY AUTHORITY IN SETTING PROPERTY TAX RATES. With the exception of the state rate all property tax rates are set by local citizens that are on the governing bodies of local taxing jurisdictions.

REAL ESTATE: Farms, homes, houses and lots, mobile homes, vacant land, and Commercial buildings. Anyone who has built a new structure or made an addition, deletion, or improvement to an existing structure on their property during the preceding year should list that. The new structures should be listed at their fair cash value as of January 1, 2018, if the structures are not completed, please list the amount completed as of January 1, 2018 at its fair cash value.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION: Persons who will be eligible for the Homestead Exemption for 2018 should make application before April 1st if possible. Persons eligible for this exemption must be at least 65 years of age during the 2018 tax year, or be totally disabled and present evidence that they are receiving total disability compensation from any type of public or private retirement system. All applicants must own and occupy their dwelling as of January 1 of the current year. Please bring proof of age (Driver's license, Birth certificate, Medicare card, etc.). DON'T WAIT UNTIL YOUR BIRTHDAY, if you will be 65 anytime during 2018 come in now for this benefit. Any changes of status for persons already receiving exemption should be reported before April 1st.

ALL MOTOR VEHICLES AND BOATS are assessed by the Revenue Cabinet, Frankfort, Ky., from motor vehicle registrations. 2018 motor vehicle and boat taxes will be paid to the County Clerk when the vehicle is re-licensed for 2018. The assessment shall be due if not protested in writing, along with supporting documentation to the Revenue Cabinet within forty-five (45) days from the date of notice.

TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY: Merchants inventories, shop tools, construction equipment, business equipment, documented boats and airplanes. The assessment date of personal property is January 1 of the current year and the tax return filing deadline is May 15th of the current year.

THE MISSION OF THE PVA OFFICE is to provide accurate assessments and efficient services to the property owners or anyone utilizing the PVA office records and administer the statutes of the Commonwealth of Kentucky in a fair and impartial manner.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE PROPERTY VALUATION ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE MON., TUES., THURS. & FRI. 8:00 A.M. TO 4 P.M. AND ON WED. AND SAT. 8:00 A.M. TO 12:00 P.M. AT (606) 735-2228.

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County Taxpayers' Notice

The 2017 County tax bills are now delinquent. If you did not receive your bill please contact the County Sheriff's Office. When mailing in your payment, please include your copy of the tax bill or put the bill number on your check. If you wish a paid receipt returned to you, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

The following are the collection dates:

21% Penalty February 1, thru April 15, 2018

IMPORTANT NOTE: All delinquent tax bills will be transferred to the County Clerk's Office as of the close of business on April 15, 2018. In addition to the penalties and fees that are applied by the Sheriff's Office all payments made in the County Clerk's Office are subject to a 20% County Attorney's fee, a 10% County Clerk's fee and interest at 1% per month. The delinquency is also subject to being sold to a Third Party and subject to substantial additional penalties and fees in the summer of 2018, if not paid to the Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff's Office Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs. & Fri. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Wed. & Sat. 8 a.m. to Noon. Closed Sundays and all Federal holidays.

Payments accepted by Cash, Check, or Credit Card.

MAKE SURE YOU SEND A COPY OF YOUR TAX BILL TO YOUR BANK OR MORTGAGE CO. IF THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO PAY YOUR TAXES AND DOUBLE CHECK WITH THEM THAT THEY PAID THEM.

Public Notice

Jayson Jefferson, mailing address 395 Mini Farms Road, Brooksville, KY, 41004, hereby declares intention to apply for a NQ2 Retail Drink License / Special Sunday Retail Drink License no later than January 29, 2018. The business to be licensed will be located at 418 East Third Street, Augusta, KY 41002, doing business as Jay-z Atown Grille. The owner(s) are as follows: Jayson Jefferson, 395 Mini Farms Road, Brooksville, KY 41004. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Dept. of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, Ky. 40601-8400, within 30 days (KRS 243.430) of the date of this legal publication.

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Homes

HOUSE FOR SALE: 3 BR, 2 BA, recently remodeled, 141 Reservoir Lane, Brooksville. Asking \$99,500. Phone 606-782-1430. 2-8-c

2 STORY HOME FOR SALE: 1/2 acre lot, 3349 Augusta-Berlin Rd. Asking \$49,500. Call 606-782-3016. 4/26/18-p

Land

166 ACRES on Goose Ridge Rd., Powersville, good crop land, old house & barn, great hunting, deer, turkey, rabbits & squirrels, \$2900 per acre, will consider serious offer. Call Jeff 859-322-4019.

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Brooksville	755 Reservoir Lane, Brooksville, 3 BR 2 BA DW a full basement with newer metal roof. One acre. Close to Brooksville.	\$74,000
Alexandria	11857 Skyview. Spacious 3BR 3 Full Bath custom built Cutter home on 1 acre. Recent upgrades throughout. 3 finished levels with 4 car garage and large fenced yard. Close to AJ Jolly Park.	\$294,000
Maysville	434 Buckner St, Maysville. 2 BR 1 BA All one level, large rooms, partial bsmt, corner lot.	\$49,900

Farms

Dover	3358 Dover-Minerva Rd. Nice home and 127 acres of prime fenced farm land. Barn, ponds, more! Massive road frontage!	\$485,000
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Land & Building

Brooksville	6421 Powersville Harrison Co Rd, Brooksville, in Milford. Nice lot for a home or business. Concrete pad, septic & water on property.	\$25,000
Germantown	6.5 acres on Michelle Drive in Germantown, level to gently rolling. Lays nice for a new home, woods in back, low traffic road.	\$24,000
Germantown	7 acres on Michelle Drive in Germantown, next to the 6.5 acres. Lays the same way level to gently rolling. Make an offer for both!	\$28,000
Foster	301 Apple Ridge, Foster, 8 acres with breath taking views. Be the last home on the dead end road here! Mostly wooded.	\$44,900
Bracken Co.	6.5 acres on the Ohio river. Nice level land fronting the Ohio. Build your home here and enjoy the river traffic or use for recreation or a new home.	\$140,000
Butler	27.50 acres on Old US 27. Over 400 ft of road frontage with a bridge to pass over the creek. Nice place to build in the woods with plenty of room to play! Bring your ATV and check this one out!	\$68,000
Foster	Tract#4 in Cherry Blossom Pointe. Half acre with a million dollar view!!! Build your dream home and enjoy watching the boats & scenic river view year around! Make offer!	\$39,900

Commerical

Maysville	1+ acre lot on the AA Hwy in Maysville close to the bypass. High traffic area. Fantastic location for your new business! Make offer!	REDUCED \$125,000
Augusta	103 W 2nd Street, Augusta, Parkview Inn Bed & Breakfast. 10 guest rooms each with full baths. Restaurant with 2 dining areas & more.	\$435,000

Resort

Falmouth	5 Trails End, Falmouth. Great getaway on Kincaid Lake. Camper with 30 x 40 open pole barn covering it. Enclose the barn and make a larger place. Lots of possibilities! Make Offer!	\$29,900
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**Augusta
City Council**

Augusta City Council – Regular Meeting – Wed., Dec. 20, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at Augusta Community Center.

Mayor Wendell High called the meeting to order and then opened with the pledge of allegiance. Roll Call: Tay Kelsch, present; Jackie Hopkins, present; Matt McCane, present; Tina Sticklen, present; Joe Goecke, present ; Larry Bradley, present.

MINUTE APPROVAL – NOVEMBER 15, 2017 - Motion to approve the minutes of November 15, 2017 by Jackie Hopkins, second by Tina Sticklen.

STAFF REPORTS - Tourism; Maintenance; WTP; Office; Police.

PERSONNEL POLICY - Table.

POOL - Discussion held concerning leaks that have been found and getting an estimate on repairing the pool.

RIVERPARK - Discussion held concerning grants and cost to replace the docks.

MAIN STREET RESTROOMS - Joe Goecke would like to keep the restrooms open.

Council agreed to keep the restrooms open from 7 a.m. – 6 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – REAL ESTATE - Motion to go into executive session by Matt McCane, second by Tay Kelsch. All in favor.

Motion to return from executive session by Matt McCane, second by Tina Sticklen. All in favor. No action taken.

F.A. NEIDER BUILDING - Motion to approve a resolution for the Mayor to sign documents for the F.A. Neider building on behalf of the City by Tay Kelsch, second by Matt McCane. Roll Call: Tay Kelsch, yes; Jackie Hopkins, yes; Matt McCane, yes; Tina Sticklen, yes; Joe Goecke, yes; Larry Bradley, yes.

DEPOT LOT - Discussion held to advertise for bids on the depot lot and open at the next meeting.

POLICE CRUISER - Motion to declare the old cruiser surplus property by Tay Kelsch, second by Jackie Hopkins. Roll Call: Tay Kelsch, yes; Jackie Hopkins, yes; Matt McCane, yes; Tina Sticklen, yes; Joe Goecke, yes; Larry Bradley, yes.

ADJOURN - Motion to adjourn by Matt McCane, second by Jackie Hopkins. All in favor.

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**New year, fresh look for
KY Transportation Cabinet**

After a year devoted to designing, developing and refreshing the appearance of its public-facing website, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) officials today unveiled the new look of its now mobile-friendly website, transportation.ky.gov. Established in 2003 and last overhauled in 2011, the website was due for an upgrade to better serve the 2.8 million annual visitors who use it to access information regarding KYTC business and citizen services.

“We are excited to kick off the new year with a new look,” said KYTC Secretary Greg Thomas. “Seasoned users of the website, as well as first-time visitors, will appreciate the ease of navigation, visual design and optimized search tools to find the information they seek. Kentuckians depend on our website to address their transportation-related needs, and we’re pleased to make their searches and processes easier. I am proud of the KYTC staff who have devoted their time and talents to develop a quality resource.”

Providing structural enhancements that align with industry best practices, the new website was redesigned in-house by KYTC Office of Information Technology employees. The site’s design team restructured the navigational tools to make searching for content more intuitive and efficient. Pages that were previously 10 clicks deep on the old site are now within a three-click reach.

“In determining the approach we would adopt to complete this important project, we considered the Cabinet’s core values, which shape and form our organization’s decisions,” said KYTC Chief of Staff Asa James Swan. “One of our agency’s values – serving the taxpayers – is especially applicable in this undertaking in that we leveraged our internal experts to redesign the new website, increasing the efficiency of state resources without compromising the quality and service Kentucky’s citizens expect.”

The revamped homepage features a scrolling banner that highlights the Cabinet’s core values: connecting the Commonwealth, driving the economy, serving the taxpayers and cultivating a dynamic culture. Another homepage feature that previously existed but warrants recognition is a link to DataMart, a real-time database of county and state transportation information.

“By giving Kentuckians easy access to transportation information related to local road and bridge projects, traffic counts, highway crashes and other transportation data, KYTC’s DataMart provides transparency into the Cabinet’s resources and financial management,” said Thomas. “We encourage our partners, citizens, legislators and businesses to explore answers to common questions about Kentucky’s transportation system.”

Affiliated resources that offer niche services and information by way of

**SSAC Students recognize
Augusta Board Members**



Pictured above left to right are Madilynn Whiteman, Nicole Arthur, Stephen Cordle, Angelica Murphy, and Kaitlyn Gilbert.
Photo submitted

Augusta Independent School SSAC (Student Superintendent Advisory Council) students helped recognize board members during School Board Recognition Month in January and placed yard signs to thank them for their service. Angelica Murphy placed a sign at Dionne Laycock’s home. Nicole Arthur placed a sign at Julie Moore’s home. Madilynn Whiteman placed a sign at Chasity Saunders’ home. Kaitlynn Gilbert placed a sign at Shawn Hennessey’s home. Stephen Cordle placed a sign at Laura Bach’s home.

external sites managed by the KYTC – such as drive.ky.gov – are prominently located on the homepage. As part of the revamp process, the Kentucky Design and Print Services (KDPS) webpage also experienced a facelift. The print shop page includes a list of offerings exclusive to state government agencies, such as engraving, printing and graphic design, that are now easier to identify and request.

Along with the visual changes of the new landing page, the site’s secondary pages offer updated content, including relevant transportation news, information, maps, videos and images.

Upgrades to the new site also support Cabinet efficiencies by making site maintenance easier for staff so content stays current. These efficiencies translate into more time available for KYTC em-

ployees to devote to their primary responsibilities, such as designing bridges, maintaining roads and providing world-class customer service.

KYTC encourages the public to explore the updated site transportation.ky.gov for an enhanced, mobile-friendly user experience. To connect with KYTC on social media, follow the Cabinet on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

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